## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

RACHEL M. ROLAND, on behalf of herself and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

CASE NO. 1:15-cv-00325-SJD

v.

JUDGE DLOTT

CONVERGYS CUSTOMER MANAGEMENT GROUP, INC. and CONVERGYS CORPORATION,

**AMENDED JOINT DISCOVERY PLAN** 

Defendants.

Now come all parties to this case, by and through their respective counsel, and hereby jointly submit to the Court this Joint Discovery Plan, pursuant to the Court's Pretrial Procedure Outline. The parties conducted their discovery conference on August 20, 2015 and November 11, 2015.

## 1. MAGISTRATE CONSENT

The Parties:

[ ] consent to the jurisdiction of the United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636 (c).

[X] do not unanimously consent to the jurisdiction of the United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636 (c).

[] unanimously give contingent consent to the jurisdiction of the United States

Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636 (c), for trial purposes only, in the event that the

District Judge assigned is unavailable on the date set for trial (e.g. because of other trial settings, civil or criminal).

# 2. RULE 26(A) DISCLOSURES

[X] There are no changes that need to be made in the timing, form, or requirement for		
disclosures under Rule 26(a). All disclosures required by Rule 26(a)(1) have been made by the		
parties hereto.		
[ ] The parties agree to delay the initial disclosure until The		
purpose of delay is		
[] to give the Court time to rule on the pending dispositive motion.		
3. DISCOVERY ISSUES AND DATES		
A. Discovery will need to be conducted on the issues of: liability, damages, and experts,		
if any.		
B. The parties agree that any electronically stored information ("ESI") to be produced shall be produced as it is used in the usual course of business, or in another reasonably usable form. The parties agree that ESI and other documents initially may be manually self-collected by the document custodians with the direction and oversight of counsel, in a manner consistent with how such custodians create, communicate or store ESI in the usual course of business. To the extent that any additional ESI collection or production methods are necessary, including but not limited to types of ESI that should be collected in a forensically sound manner or produced in native format, the parties agree to work together to evaluate and implement alternative means of production. To the extent that disputes as to ESI production arise, the parties will endeavor to resolve them informally. If such disputes cannot be resolved informally, the parties will seek the Court's assistance.		
C. The parties recommend that discovery:		
[X] need not be bifurcated		
[] should be bifurcated between liability and damages		
[] should be bifurcated between factual and expert		
[ ] should be limited in some fashion or focused upon particular issues which relate to:		
D. Disclosure and report of plaintiff expert(s) by: June 1, 2016.		
E. Disclosure and report of defendant expert(s) by: July 15, 2016.		

	F. Discovery cutoff: <u>August 1, 2016.</u>		
	G. Anticipated discovery problems:		
	[]		
	[X] none.		
	4.	LIMITATIONS ON DISCOVERY	
	A.	Changes in the limitations on discovery	
	[]Ext	ension of time limitations (currently one day of seven hours) in taking of	
depositions to			
	[ ] Extension of number of depositions (currently 10) permitted to  [ ] Extension of number of interrogatories (currently 25) to  [ ] Other:		
	[X] None.		
	В.	Protective Order	
	[X] A	protective order was submitted by the parties and entered by the Court on October	
<u>2, 2015</u> .			
	[ ] The	e parties currently do not anticipate the need for a protective order. If the parties	
subsec	quently	deem that one is necessary, they will submit a joint proposed order to the Court.	
Such	order wi	ll be in compliance with Procter & Gamble Co. v. Bankers Trust Co., 78 F. 3d 219	
(6th C	ir. 1996	i).	
	5.	OTHER COURT ORDERS UNDER RULE 26(C) OR RULE 16(B) AND (C)	
	[] The	e plaintiff anticipates the need for the Court to set a deadline to allow for the	
amendment of the complaint to:			
		[] add parties.	

- [] add additional claims.
- [] add factual allegations to support original claim(s).
- [X] Any motion to amend the pleadings shall be filed and served on or before <u>December</u> 4, 2015.

#### 6. PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR CLASS CERTIFICATION.

Any motion for class certification shall be filed and served on or before <u>December 17</u>, <u>2015</u>. Any response in opposition shall be filed and served on or before <u>January 15</u>, <u>2016</u> and any reply filed and served on or before <u>January 29</u>, <u>2016</u>.

### Respectfully submitted,

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